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The attached Deposit Account Statement indicates that the Patent Office charged the undersigned's Deposit Account \$980 on November 24, 2008. The undersigned filed a Response on October 22, 2008, in response to the Office Action mailed June 23, 2008. The Office Action of June 23, 2008 set a three months response due date, which fell on September 23, 2008. See, page 1 of the Office Action dated

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